

STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS

CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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OFFICIAL NOTICES

Council Meeting.—The next meeting of the Council will be held at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, January 12, 1929, at 10 a. m.

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Membership Record—1928

County	Delinquents	Members
Alameda	3	406
Butte	1	20
Contra Costa	3	30
Fresno	4	103
Glenn	0	8
Humboldt	1	33
Imperial	2	22
Kern	0	48
Lassen-Plumas	0	14
Los Angeles	54	1684
Marin	0	20
Mendocino	1	15
Merced	2	20
Monterey	2	27
Napa	0	23
Orange	1	88
Placer	1	29
Riverside	1	49
Sacramento	0	127
San Benito	1	7
San Bernardino	0	103
San Diego	4	223
San Francisco	12	920
San Joaquin	0	83
San Luis Obispo	1	11
San Mateo	3	31
Santa Barbara	0	68
Santa Clara	2	143
Santa Cruz	1	29
Shasta	0	10
Siskiyou	0	15
Solano	1	18
Sonoma	1	44
Stanislaus	2	38
Tehama	1	11
Tulare	0	41
Tuolumne	0	5
Ventura	2	24
Yolo	2	23
Yuba-Sutter	0	14
Total	109	4627
1927 total		4410
Gain in 1928		217

The above table again graphically pictures the growth of the California Association, the effective work of the forty county secretaries, and the loyalty of the membership.

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Coöperation of Members Asked in Study on Medical Costs.—The Committee on the Cost of Medical Care is at present securing data from cross sections of ten different states. California is one of the ten

selected; and through local health officers or organizations a specialized study is to be made in various cities, towns, and counties.

The secretary of the American Medical Association, Dr. Olin West, has asked for the coöperation of the members in the localities selected, with the representatives of these investigating committees, particularly as regards corroboration of statements concerning diagnosis and of fees claimed to have been paid by said patients.

The following localities have been selected for investigation: Cities of Long Beach, Los Angeles, Oakland, Pasadena, Riverside, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Barbara; counties of Madera, San Diego, and San Joaquin; and towns of Crockett, Pittsburg, and Woodland. The work is now in progress, and the coöperation of the members in these localities is earnestly requested.

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Addressograph Service.—The California Medical Association has installed an addressograph in the state office and is now prepared to furnish this service, which our members have so frequently requested. Envelopes, professional cards, reprints, and letters by our advertisers will be addressed to members of the California Medical Association at a minimum cost.

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Notice to Members.—See Readers' Forum, page 70, this issue.

COMPONENT COUNTY SOCIETIES

ALAMEDA COUNTY

The annual meeting of the Alameda County Medical Association was called to order by President Lohse at 8:20 p. m. at the Ethel Moore Memorial Building, Oakland. The program for this meeting was presented by the staff of the new Peralta Hospital and consisted of a symposium on "Gastro-Intestinal Disorders" both from a medical and surgical standpoint. Dr. E. M. Loomis was the first speaker, discussing the newer theories of the etiology of the vomiting of pregnancy. The doctor said that the chief bugaboos of the obstetrician were eclampsia and the vomiting of pregnancy, and that recent researches pointed to the fact that both were dependent upon the same pathologic physiology. While eclampsia is decreasing in instance, vomiting of pregnancy is on the increase. The theory sponsored by Doctor Loomis was that both conditions are due to hypoglycemia. He reported experimental work, which has been done on series of cases including both mild and severe types which were very successfully handled by the administration of glucose. The second paper of the evening was by Q. O. Gilbert on "Duodenal Stasis." Doctor Gilbert reviewed the physiology and anatomical changes which might bring about this condition, advising careful selection of cases for surgical treatment. The third paper was on the "Pathologic Physiology of Intestinal Obstruction" by Fletcher B. Taylor. The doctor illustrated his talk with lantern slides, saying

in part that an unrelieved obstruction causes death, and, in general, the higher the obstruction the more rapid the death. He pointed out that various authors have thought the effects due to (a) intoxication, (b) loss of necessary metabolites, (c) splanchnic shock, the first two offering the most practicable information. He reviewed Whipple's work on obstruction symptoms in normal animals rendered toxic by the injection of proteoses precipitated from obstructed bowel content, and also the work of Mortan and Stabius, who prolonged the lives of animals with obstruction by the use of antitoxin for *B. welchii*, which suggests the possibility that the proteoses of Whipple or the toxin of *B. welchii* may contribute as extrinsic poisons to the toxemia or death of the subject. Reviewing the blood chemistry changes found in the condition, he said that there is a rise in the nonprotein nitrogen of the blood, and in blood bicarbonate, but a marked drop in chlorids due in part to excretion into the lumen of the obstructed bowel. The doctor called attention to the fact that intravenous administration of salt solution saves the animal. The fourth paper was on the "Treatment of Intestinal Obstruction" by Dexter N. Richards, who stressed the importance of early surgery and the administrations of quantities of fluids and sodium chlorid. Dr. A. H. Rowe discussed the physiological obstruction in diabetes, saying that probably all cases of severe acidosis and coma due to diabetes mellitus are accompanied by peristaltic disturbance and cessation of digestion, which results in nausea, vomiting, and often regurgitation into the stomach of dark duodenal contents. The profound disturbances are probably due to a toxic ileus resulting from the severe acidosis. The doctor pointed out that it is extremely important to lavage the stomach of patients in severe diabetic acidosis and to repeat the process if there is any indication of reaccumulation of duodenal regurgitation into the stomach. Such lavage is probably best done with the Jutte tube introduced through the nasal passage. Care should be taken to prevent the insufflation of the stomach contents into the bronchial tract. Doctor Rowe reported cases in which such treatment of paralytic ileus had been necessary. The last discussion of the evening was presented by Dr. W. B. Palamounit on the subject of "Some Surgical Aspects of Peritonitis." The speaker considered peritonitis in its relation to intestinal obstruction. He said that the clinical symptoms of peritonitis and obstruction are so much alike that it is often impossible to distinguish between them. They may be associated, and if so, it is necessary to treat the obstruction as well as the peritonitis even though it be secondary to the inflammatory condition. He called attention to the fact that the intestine, greatly distended with gas and fluids, has lost its peristaltic power and that peristalsis can only be restored when such pressure is relieved by drainage. The pressure within obstructs the circulation which aids in maintaining the paralysis. The doctor advocated drainage with the washing out of the distended segment with salt solution. The discussion on this symposium was opened by Doctors Strietmann and Dukes.

The scientific program was followed by the annual reports of the officers and the chairmen of the standing committees, after which the tellers announced the results of the election and the officers for the ensuing year were installed. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

GERTRUDE MOORE, *Secretary*.

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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

The annual banquet of the Contra Costa County Medical Society was held in Martinez, November 17, in the Veterans Memorial Hall, at which a duck dinner was enjoyed, Dr. John Beard acting as toastmaster. Mrs. I. O. Church of Martinez gave several vocal selections, assisted by Mrs. Elvira Johnson at

the piano. A number of miniature motion picture films, comic and educational, were shown by Dr. Fitzpatrick of Martinez.

A vote of thanks was given Dr. E. Merrithew of Martinez, who was responsible for the plentiful supply of "ducks."

There was a splendid crowd from all parts of the county, and it was agreed that such informal gatherings of doctors and their wives promote a closer bond of friendship among professional brethren.

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At a well-attended meeting held at the home of Dr. M. L. Fernandez of Pinole, the Contra Costa County Medical Society concluded its business for the year by electing officers for the ensuing year of 1929.

The following were elected to office in the society: St. John L. Hely of Richmond, president (second term); J. W. Bumgarner of Richmond, vice-president; S. N. Weil of Selby, secretary-treasurer; J. M. McCullough of Crockett, delegate; St. John L. Hely of Richmond, alternate delegate; John Beard of Martinez, censor (three-year term).

The meeting night of the society was changed from the second Saturday of each month to the second Tuesday of each month by unanimous vote of those present.

Discussion as to how the meetings could be made more attractive in order to obtain a better attendance was held, and it was decided by the chair to appoint two members to be responsible for the scientific and social arrangement for each meeting. Doctors U. S. Abbott and J. W. Bumgarner are to arrange the meeting for January 8, 1929, to be held in Richmond.

At the close of the meeting Mrs. M. L. Fernandez served a very delightful supper.

Those present: U. S. Abbott, J. W. Bumgarner, H. L. Carpenter, L. St. John Hely, M. D. Keser, L. H. Fraser, H. Vestal of Richmond; M. L. Fernandez, Pinole; John Beard, Martinez; J. M. McCullough, W. A. Rowell of Crockett; S. N. Weil, Selby.

S. N. WEIL, *Secretary*.

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FRESNO COUNTY

At the November meeting of the Fresno County Medical Association the following officers were nominated for the year 1929: Charles A. James, president; R. W. Dalgren, first vice-president; Mary Butin, second vice-president; J. M. Frawley, secretary-treasurer; N. J. Dau, assistant secretary-treasurer. Delegates to the state convention, T. F. Madden, and C. O. Mitchell. Alternates, A. E. Anderson and W. G. Milholland. Governor, E. R. Scarboro.

The evening was then given over to the discussion of medical education, the principal addresses being made by Doctor Porter, dean of the Medical College of the University of California, and Doctor Ophüls, dean of Stanford Medical College.

Doctor Porter said that the principal function of the physician is to readjust people. Those who cannot be readjusted must be helped and made as comfortable as possible. The function of the medical school is not to teach the student everything about medicine, but to teach him how to use the method of science in carrying out his daily work, always bearing in mind the interest and welfare of the patient.

Doctor Ophüls stressed the point that the main function of the medical school is the training of medical practitioners and that, therefore, their training should be practical. The students should have the assistance of men who are actually in practice; otherwise they are not in touch with the problems of practice.

Doctor Ophüls also discussed the relation of the practitioner to the public health movements. He be-

lieves that the medical man should be a leader in the field of preventive medicine and not a follower of the layman. This can be achieved by giving instruction to the medical student in the college. Another important feature in the medical education is the training of the specialist. This should be done after a period in practice.

Dr. Thomas F. Madden said he thought that the time had come when the medical profession, in order to retain its prestige, must give up its mystery and educate the community. The younger men should speak before lay organizations and tell them what is going on in the medical world.

Dr. C. P. Kjaerbye considered that the question for the medical schools to decide was one of selection. Men who have scientific bent should be encouraged to perfect themselves in the fundamental sciences, but those who are chiefly interested in the readjustment of their fellow man should be brought as early as possible into contact with the cases.

Dr. C. O. Mitchell thought that one important function of the medical college which was neglected was the training of the student in business methods.

This meeting was public, and was attended by many of the school teachers and public health workers of the county.

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The December meeting of the Fresno County Medical Society was held in the Fresno State College Auditorium, and was open to the public.

Dr. Charles Kofoed of the University of California was the speaker of the evening. He interpreted the Cinti moving-picture films regarding the action of radium and x-ray on the growth of transplant cancer tissue grown on media. The hall was filled, and Doctor Kofoed was apparently very much appreciated.

Following the lecture, a short business meeting was held at which the annual election of officers took place.

JOHN M. FRAWLEY, *Secretary*.

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PLACER COUNTY

The Placer County Medical Society met in the Masonic Hall at Auburn, November 17, the meeting being called to order by Vice-President J. Gordon Mackay.

There were present the following members and visitors: Members—Doctors Mackay, Rooney, Fay, Russell, Durand, Thoren, Peers, C. Conrad Briner, Monica Stoy Briner, L. B. Barnes, Dunievitz, Eveleth, Myers, and Kalman. Visitors—Mr. Thoren of Weimar, Doctors Paul Barnes of Loomis, Kanner, Sevier, and Haig of Sacramento; Illick of Lincoln, and Kuhn of Weimar.

This being the annual meeting it was the date of election of officers. The election resulted as follows: Max Dunievitz of Colfax, president; C. Conrad Briner of Lincoln, vice-president; Robert A. Peers of Colfax, secretary-treasurer; Charles J. Durand of Colfax, associate secretary; C. E. Lewis of Auburn, delegate; J. A. Russell of Auburn, alternate.

Vernon V. Rood, M. D., of Grass Valley, a member in good standing of the Butte County Medical Society, having presented his transfer card, was elected to membership in the Placer County Medical Society.

Paul D. Barnes, M. D., of Loomis was also elected to membership.

F. E. McCullough, M. D., of North Sacramento, having applied for transfer to the Sacramento Society, such transfer was granted.

Following the business meeting the following literary program was presented:

Doctor Dunievitz of Colfax presented a series of cases as follows:

Two cases of myelogenous leukemia—one in a male eighteen years of age, of known two months' duration,

whose white count ran from 400,000 to 600,000. The patient had been treated with deep x-ray therapy, without change in his condition. This man had a severe sepsis and pyemia two years previously. The second case was a woman about fifty-five years of age, of known duration of about twenty years. She had had x-ray therapy with definite benefit. During the course of the illness she had had pneumonia twice and peritonsillar abscess once, making splendid recoveries. Her count had been as high as 300,000, at present running about 30,000.

Doctor Dunievitz also presented a case of perforation of aorta with hemopericardium in which all the physical signs, as well as fluoroscopy, indicated an aneurysm of the ascending aorta, but which was shown at autopsy to be a case of perforated aorta, apparently of atheromatous origin.

X-ray pictures of two cases of dextrocardium and situs transversus, both of which had come under his observation within a period of one week, were shown. One of these patients died shortly after of acute pulmonary edema and pericardial effusion.

Two unusual cases of goiter were then presented—one a man about fifty-five years of age where there was extreme calcification of a greatly enlarged thyroid gland, with pressure symptoms but no thyroid toxicity. The other was an enormous adenomatous goiter with pressure symptoms and definite hypothyroidism. This goiter weighed 850 grams after removal.

The last case Doctor Dunievitz presented consisted of x-ray pictures of a man who had had two spontaneous pneumothoraces—the first five years ago at the left apex, and the other one month ago at the left base.

Following the case presentation, Dr. Thomas R. Haig of Sacramento gave a very instructive talk on "Fractures of the Foot and Ankle." Doctor Haig discussed in detail fractures of the individual bones of the foot and ankle, going very thoroughly into the treatment of the various types of fractures which can occur in this region. His address was extremely interesting and practical. It was discussed by Doctors Dunievitz, Illick, and Haig.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

ROBERT A. PEERS, *Secretary*.

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SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

The president being absent because of illness, the first vice-president, Dr. Walter Pritchard, called the meeting to order at 8:10 p. m.

Twenty-three members were present, the small number being due to the influenza epidemic.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A letter from the Los Angeles Milk Commission was read and approved.

The notification of the postponement of the "Clinic Week" of the Los Angeles Medical Society was read.

The question of the publication in the press of a bulletin regarding influenza was presented by Doctor Pritchard, and after a general discussion it was moved and seconded and passed that this be done. Articles will be prepared by Doctor Pritchard.

The program of the evening was then entered upon: Exhibition of Cases of Arthritis from the Medical Service of the County Hospital by Dr. Gayle Moseley, Chief of Staff.

Prenatal Care and Its Value in Obstetrical Prognosis by Dr. Suzanne Parsons of the Bureau of Child

Hygiene, California State Department of Public Health.

Between the first and second papers the society members had the privilege of listening to our counselor, Dr. Lyle Kinney of San Diego.

Luncheon was served at 10 p. m.

E. J. EYTINGE, *Secretary*.

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SAN DIEGO COUNTY

At the annual meeting of the medical society at the close of election day the following names were announced as the selection of officers for 1929:

James F. Churchill, president; A. E. Elliott, vice-president; W. H. Geistweit, Jr., secretary; W. W. Belford, treasurer. Councilors: F. Macpherson, T. O. Burger, J. W. Sherrill. Delegate (two-year term): Martha Welpton. Alternate (two-year term): Lillian B. Mahan. Milk Commission (three-year term): W. W. Belford. Directory: Lillian B. Mahan.

Following the dinner at which these announcements were made, the society was treated to two excellent papers by their guests from Salt Lake City. Joseph E. Tyree, M. D., gave a comprehensive outline of the surgery of the foot, discussed by Doctors Macpherson and Doig. Dr. George Richards presented a well-illustrated discussion of ulcer of the stomach, drawing upon his rich experience in the clinic in Salt Lake City to give his audience some very practical views on this important subject. His paper was discussed by Doctors Howard, Stealy, Churchill, Pollock, and Richards.

The November meeting of the medical staff of Scripps Memorial Hospital was featured by a presentation of that always practical subject, "Colitis" by Dr. A. B. Smith. The doctor's approach to his subject was from the standpoint of the roentgenologist, and was splendidly illustrated throughout by many x-ray films. Doctor Weiskotten opened the discussion with some illuminating remarks on the interpretation of films of the gastro-intestinal tract. Discussion was continued by Pollock, Oatman, Burger, Potter, and Parker.

Doctor McEachren and Father Mouilliner, representing the American College of Surgeons, were in town December 7 in the interest of hospital betterment.

ROBERT POLLOCK.

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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

The annual meeting of the San Joaquin County Medical Society was held at the banquet table, Hotel Lincoln, Thursday, December 6, at 7 p. m.

After an excellent dinner the meeting was called to order by John J. Sippy, president. Twenty-seven members were in attendance.

The chair appointed Doctors F. S. Marnell, C. A. Broaddus, and Fred Foard to act as tellers.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The annual report of the secretary-treasurer was read.

Moved by Dewey R. Powell, seconded by Doughty, that the report of the secretary-treasurer be mimeographed and a copy of it mailed to every member of the society. The motion carried.

The admissions committee reported favorably on the application for membership of Dr. Eisuke Isukawa.

The necrology committee submitted a short obituary of our departed members, Doctors Tuggle, Stagner, and Maggs. These obituaries are printed on page 61 of this issue.

The report was received and spread upon the minutes.

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A communication from the secretary of the California Medical Association relative to the Committee on the Cost of Medical Care was read.

Action: Moved by Doctor Dozier, seconded by Doctor Kaplan, that the program committee procure

Dr. Nathan Sinai, member of the Committee on the Cost of Medical Care, as speaker for our January meeting. The motion carried.

A communication from the secretary of California Medical Association relative to the subject of "Bed-side Medicine" or "Medicine Today" as they appear in CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE was read and ordered filed.

A communication from Dr. J. D. Dameron relative to the Crippled Children Act, as conducted by Dr. Markel of San Francisco, was read.

Action: Moved by Doctor Dozier, seconded by Doctor Doughty, that the secretary be instructed to write a letter of appreciation and thanks to be sent to the Rotarians of Stockton for their splendid assistance in maintaining the clinic for crippled children. The motion carried.

The tellers reported the result of the election as follows: C. V. Thompson, president; F. G. Maggs, first vice-president; G. H. Rohrbacher, second vice-president; Fred J. Conzelmann, secretary-treasurer.

Board of Directors—J. W. Barnes, H. J. Bolinger, H. S. Chapman, R. T. McGurk, B. J. Powell, Dewey R. Powell, and George H. Sanderson.

Admissions Committee—John J. Sippy, chairman; J. P. Hull, C. F. English, S. R. Arthur, and C. A. Broaddus.

Ethics Committee—Linwood Dozier, chairman; Minerva Goodman, J. E. Nelson, H. C. Peterson, and N. E. Williamson.

Finance Committee—J. D. Dameron, chairman; J. V. Craviotto and Dewey R. Powell.

Program Committee—George H. Sanderson, chairman; G. H. Rohrbacher and P. B. Gallegos.

State Delegates—J. W. Barnes, B. J. Powell.

Alternates—G. H. Rohrbacher, Margaret H. Smyth.

Due to the death of Doctor Maggs, the office of first vice-president was vacant.

Dr. Dewey Powell nominated Dr. Linwood Dozier for the office of first vice-president. The nomination was seconded by Doctor McGurk.

Doctor Dozier was unanimously elected first vice-president.

The chair presented Dr. Alson Kilgore of San Francisco, who gave an interesting and very practical talk on the subject of "Cancer of the Breast."

A lively discussion followed in which Doctors Dozier, Blackmun, English, Chapman, Kaplan, Barbour, Sheldon, and McGurk participated. In closing Doctor Kilgore remarked that cancer meant the early treatment of a simple problem, rather than the late treatment of a serious problem.

Moved by Doctor McGurk, seconded by Doctor Broaddus, that the meeting adjourn in memory of our departed colleague, Doctor Maggs. The motion carried.

FRED J. CONZELMANN, *Secretary*.

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SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

The regular monthly meeting of the Santa Barbara County Medical Society was held on Monday, November 12, at 8:15 p. m. in the St. Francis Hospital, with President Sansum in the chair.

There were fourteen members of the society present.

Dr. Horace Pierce gave a very interesting talk on the injection treatment of varicose veins, showing four cases with the results of treatment, which was followed by questions and discussions.

Doctor Atsatt then presented three interesting and instructive reels of "Posture and Rickets" pictures.

The meeting then went into executive session, and a communication from Doctor Nuzum regarding Heart Clinic was read. It was moved, seconded, and

carried that in the near future a meeting be devoted entirely to heart conditions.

An invitation to the annual clinic of the Los Angeles County Medical Society, December 3-8, was read and ordered filed.

A communication from Doctor Pope of the California Medical Association regarding an investigation on the cost of medical care now being conducted, and stating that Santa Barbara was one of the selected localities, was read and ordered filed.

Doctor Means then spoke of the importance of reading the articles regarding health centers and free clinics in the proceedings of the House of Delegates.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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The regular meeting of the Santa Barbara County Medical Society was held on Monday evening, December 10, at the University Club.

Dinner was served at 7:15 p. m. to twenty-three members of the society.

At the conclusion of the dinner Dr. John Woolsey of San Francisco gave a most interesting and instructive illustrated talk on stomach surgery of today. The subject was then discussed by Doctors Brown, Robinson, Thorner, Freidell, Stevens, and Means.

At the conclusion of the scientific program the society went into executive session, and Doctors Otto L. Munch and William R. Hunt were unanimously elected to membership.

The president then appointed the following as chairmen of committees for the annual meeting to be held January 14, 1929:

Program Committee—Doctor Brush.

Entertainment Committee—Doctor Profant.

Supper Committee—Doctor Means.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.
W. H. EATON, *Secretary*.

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SANTA CLARA COUNTY

At the annual meeting of the Santa Clara County Medical Society, November 21, the following officers were elected for the year 1929:

E. P. Cook, president; Karl Pelkan, first vice-president; A. H. McFarlane, second vice-president; R. H. Prien, third vice-president; C. M. Burchfiel, secretary; Harry Hoag, treasurer. Delegates: Fred S. Ryan and L. Boonschaft. Alternates: C. M. Burchfiel and E. M. Miller. Councillors: J. R. Williams, E. M. Miller, and B. E. Loehr.

C. M. BURCHFIEL, *Secretary*.

CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

New Members

Kern County—Milton M. Kay, Shafter.
San Francisco County—Coleman A. Block, F. Edwyn Garfinkle, Berenice G. Peacock, Angeline Piscitelli, San Francisco.

Transferred Members

John F. Brownsberger, from Los Angeles County to North Carolina.

James Eaves, from San Francisco to Alameda County.

William W. Eldredge, from Los Angeles to San Bernardino County.

Ruth Carpenter Hart, from Sacramento to Siskiyou County.

Frank E. McCullough, from Placer to Sacramento County.

Marcus W. Pascoe, from Kern to Los Angeles County.

Orville Rockwell, from Humboldt to San Francisco County.

Vernon V. Rood, from Butte to Placer County.

Deaths

Franklin, Blake. Died at Los Gatos, December 1, 1928, age 52 years. Graduate College of Physicians and Surgeons, San Francisco, California, 1904. Licensed in California, 1904. Doctor Franklin was an affiliate member of the Santa Clara County Medical Society, a member of the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Haake, Charles H. G. Died at San Francisco, December 4, 1928, age 40 years. Graduate of College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, New York, 1913. Licensed in California, 1914. Doctor Haake was a member of the Shasta County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Maggs, Frederic G. Died at Stockton, November 21, 1928, age 36 years. Graduate of University of California Medical School, 1920. Licensed in California, 1920. Doctor Maggs was a member of the San Joaquin County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Williams, Fred H. Died at Selma, December 8, 1928, age 53 years. Graduate of University Medical College, Missouri, 1902. Licensed in California, 1903. Doctor Williams was a member of the Fresno County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

OBITUARIES

Samuel P. Tuggle

1856-1927

Dr. Samuel P. Tuggle, a member of the San Joaquin County Medical Society since 1910 and a member of the staff of the Stockton State Hospital, died on December 18, 1927.

Doctor Tuggle was born in Tennessee, graduated from the University of California in 1889 and was for some years in the anatomical department as quiz master. He did a general practice in San Francisco for many years, and for two years was superintendent of the Home of Inebriates, situated in north San Francisco. This work in an institute for alcoholics and drug habitués as well as for the treatment of insane patients pending their commitment to one of the state hospitals, focussed his interest on the treatment of mental cases. In 1910 he received an appointment to the Stockton State Hospital staff.

Several years before his death he suffered a stroke of paralysis, but after a period of months was able to resume his activities although still somewhat handicapped. His wonderfully fine spirit throughout this illness was a splendid example to all with whom he came in contact. Doctor Tuggle reflected his Southern ancestry in the hospitality of his home; his greatest delight was in gathering his friends and confrères about his fireside. To those who shared this friendship and to his associates on the State Hospital staff his genial presence has been particularly missed.

Doctor Tuggle is survived by his wife and his daughter, Julia, to whom the members of this society extend their most sincere sympathy.

Charles Elmer Stagner

1883-1928

Dr. Charles Elmer Stagner was born and raised in Wheatland, California, attended school there, and later graduated from the Marysville high school. He received his premedical education at Stanford University where he was a member of the Kappa Alpha Fraternity. He graduated from the medical depart-

ment of Cooper Medical College in 1912 at which institution he was affiliated with the Omega Upsilon Phi Medical Fraternity. Doctor Stagner interned at the Sacramento County Hospital and the San Joaquin General Hospital, following which services he practiced for some years in Gustine, Merced County. For the last several years before his death he was treated at Tracy, San Joaquin County, and for a period was again at the San Joaquin General Hospital where he assumed charge during the absence of Doctor Friedberger in Europe.

Doctor Stagner's unfailing good nature and keen sense of humor made for him many friends, who greatly regretted his death from pneumonia at Dameron Hospital, Stockton, on January 28, 1928.

Doctor Stagner is survived by his wife and child.

Frederic George Maggs

1892-1928

Dr. Frederic George Maggs was born at Baden, San Mateo County, August 1, 1892. He was a great lover of all outdoor sports and played on the high school football team as well as serving as the president of the student body. He received his medical training in the University of California and graduated from that institution in 1920. During the years of his medical education he held the State of California Scholarship in 1915-16, Carrie M. Jones Scholarship in 1916-17, William Watt Kerr Scholarship in 1917-18, again was awarded the Kerr Scholarship in 1918-19. These awards are ample evidence of his devotion to his work and his high scholastic record. During the fall of 1918 he served for a while with the Student Army Training Corps. He was a member of the Nu Sigma Nu Medical Fraternity. Doctor Maggs interned at the University of California Hospital at San Francisco in 1919-20 and practiced at Riverdale, Fresno County, and in Watsonville before coming to Stockton.

During the comparatively short number of years Doctor Maggs had been in our midst he had won for himself not only a splendid following among his patients, but an enviable standing with his fellow practitioners. His professional ethics were above question, as by nature he was absolutely honest and at all times and under all circumstances a thorough gentleman.

His untimely death at the age of thirty-six, the result of pneumonia, on November 21, 1928, caused universal regret among the citizens of Stockton and was particularly deplored by his fellow members of the San Joaquin County Medical Society.

Doctor Maggs was married on February 21, 1921, in San Francisco to Ethel Reeve Eckstrom and has three charming little daughters, Eleanor, Marjory, and Dorothy. To Doctor Maggs's family the members of this society convey their most sincere sympathy.

NEVADA STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

R. R. CRAIG.....	President
W. A. SHAW.....	President-Elect
H. A. PARADIS.....	First Vice-President
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COMPONENT COUNTY SOCIETIES

WASHOE COUNTY

Résumé of meetings of the Washoe County Medical Society for the year 1928.

This medical society holds monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of each week at the Sciots Club at Reno. During July and August no meetings are held, and the September meeting is usually held to arrange

for the annual state meeting which convenes during that month.

With few exceptions the scientific program has been by outside talent, mostly from the medical centers in San Francisco. The meetings are quite well attended and the local coterie has evinced keen interest in the papers presented. Lectures are illustrated by means of lantern slides, cinema reels, diagrams, charts, etc. Discussion is usually spirited and interesting.

The following outside speakers have addressed the society during the past year:

Doctor Newman of San Francisco, on "Quinidin in Various Heart Irregularities." The lecture was illustrated with lantern slides, showing both the animal and the human heart in normal and pathological conditions. The views exhibited of hearts with broken compensation shown by the fluoroscope were highly instructive. The therapy of quinidin, when to medically exhibit it and when to withhold it, was dwelt upon and the dangers of the drug pointed out as well as its benefits.

Mrs. John O. McReynolds of Texas, wife of Doctor McReynolds, was the guest of the society and spoke in the interest of the Woman's Medical Auxiliary Society. The Nevada State Medical Society had at a former meeting endorsed this movement. Mrs. McReynolds outlined the purposes of the organization. We are all of the opinion that if this organization becomes active along the lines indicated by Mrs. McReynolds it will be of worth while benefit to every physician.

Dr. Sterling Bunnell of San Francisco talked on the technical subject of "Reconstruction of the Hand." This most highly interesting talk was illustrated with numerous lantern slides drawn from a great abundance of clinical material. Doctor Bunnell is to be congratulated upon the splendid results obtained in this highly technical and difficult field of surgery, so little understood by the majority of the profession.

Dr. Petre Trisca of Budapest, Hungary, was an interesting visitor. The doctor was on a tour of inspection of the American medical profession, and talked on the subject of "Medical Fraternity." We gathered from his talk that, in his opinion, the profession of this country had not developed the fine points of medical etiquette that obtain in Europe. The doctor said his purpose in visiting the United States was to gather material for his forthcoming book on the subject of "Medical Fraternity." While we give Doctor Trisca credit for holding a high medical ideal, we hardly feel that an estimate of the American medical profession can be made correctly by anyone not conversant with American life and customs. One can hardly interpret a people without a correct knowledge of their language, for, as has been well said, language is a map of the mind. Without that knowledge no analysis of people can be made which will come anywhere near a correct interpretation of their ideals.

Two sessions of the year's meetings were given over to studying reels furnished by the Kodakoscope people of San Francisco. It is a pity that so few of these valuable forms of instruction are as yet out for general instruction. With the assistance of such object methods of teaching, attendance at a medical meeting would be a delight and pleasure. We should like to see more movies of this kind.

The society was addressed by three members of the local profession. Dr. Arthur Grover, pathologist to the St. Mary's Hospital, gave an interesting talk on "Blood Chemistry." This advance in medicine is now so valuable an aid that it well behooves every physician to be able to interpret the significance of his clinical chart when returned by the pathologist. If it read, as did one of ours very recently, "Blood urea, 80 mg. per cent; creatinin, 8.8 per cent," then we should know that the "time of his departure is at hand."

Judge George A. Bartlett, eminent jurist of the Nevada bar, addressed the society on the "Medical-Legal Relation of Physician and Patient." Possibly

an old subject, yet one that would save serious vexation if every physician knew more of it. As Burns puts it in his verse, "To a Louse":

"O wad some Power the giftie gie us
To see oursels as ithers see us.
It wad frae mony a blunder free us,
An' foolish notion."

Doctor Bath gave a talk on the Mayo Clinic, his first visit being twenty years ago and his fifth visit last winter. The talk was upon the differences of technique and extended lines of work in the clinic. Doctor Bath stated that, so far as he could see, no better surgery was done today than was performed at his first visit. The surgery of twenty years ago was perfect and that was about all one could expect. The enormous variety of clinical material and the uniform courtesy of staff and attendants toward visiting physicians, the always courteous response to an inquiry, makes this Mecca of medicine a valuable resort for study and observation.

The conclusion of the year's work was the annual meeting, celebrated with a banquet given to the society by the retiring and genial president, Doctor Caples. This feature has heightened the good fellowship, and we are sure that it will stimulate an interest in carrying on the work of the profession. We believe that there is no other feature better than the common fellowship over the festal board. Let them be longer and later into the wee hours of the morning. The more we have of them the smaller will appear the beam in our brother's eye, for the mote in ours will then disappear. The address of the evening was given by Dr. Horace C. Pitkin of San Francisco. He spoke on the "Rôle of Postural Training in Medicine." This splendid talk was illustrated with lantern slides, and showed conclusively that this line of orthopedic surgery is to most of us an unexplored problem, but one that if properly worked will solve many of the past difficulties of "functional" troubles—an ingenious phraseology that serves to satisfy the patient, but still leaves the physician groping in the dark.

Election of the following officers concluded the year's work: For president, Dr. J. La Rue Robinson; vice-president, Dr. A. L. Stadtherr; secretary-treasurer, Dr. Thomas W. Bath.

THOMAS W. BATH, *Secretary.*

NEVADA NEWS

The following were elected officers for 1929 at the annual meeting held at Bower's Mansion, September 21 and 22: R. R. Craig, Tonopah, president; W. A. Shaw, Elko, president-elect; H. A. Paradis, Sparks, first vice-president; R. P. Roantree, Elko, second vice-president; Horace J. Brown, Reno, secretary-treasurer; D. A. Turner, Reno, trustee. Delegate to American Medical Association, Horace J. Brown, Reno. Alternate, R. R. Craig, Tonopah.

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It was voted at the annual meeting to raise the annual dues to \$10; this to include subscription to CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, but not to include county society dues.

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The White Pine Medical Society was recently organized at Ely, and elected the following officers: G. W. Green, Ely, president; O. Hovenden, McGill, first vice-president; J. C. Agagee, Ely, second vice-president; E. B. Muir, East Ely, secretary; W. H. Frolich, East Ely, treasurer.

Their regular meetings will be held the first Thursday of each month.

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The Washoe County Medical Society elected officers for 1929 as follows: J. L. Robinson, Reno, president; A. L. Stadtherr, Reno, vice-president; T. W. Bath, Reno, secretary-treasurer.

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We regret to report the death on December 8 of Dr. D. H. Pettingell of Midas, who was one of the oldest practitioners of the state and one of our highly

esteemed members. Doctor Pettingell died of post-influenzal pneumonia.

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J. R. Cunningham, Tonopah, had the misfortune to fall and break his right leg in November, and is now confined at the Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco.

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R. A. Bowdle, East Ely, has recently returned from two months spent in the East visiting various clinics.

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Examinations were held by the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners, November 5, 6, and 7. Five took the examinations of which four passed. Following were the successful candidates: T. W. Koldeway, C. J. Johnson, R. R. Craig, and Fleet Harrison.

UTAH STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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COMPONENT COUNTY SOCIETIES SALT LAKE COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Salt Lake County Medical Society was held in the Medical Arts Building, Salt Lake City, November 26.

The meeting was called to order by the president, William F. Beer, at 8:05 p. m. Forty-one members and two visitors were present. The minutes of the meeting of October 22 and November 12 were read and accepted without correction.

No clinical cases were presented.

The first paper of the evening was read by W. G. Schulte on "Nonspecific Prostatitis." He discussed the embryology, anatomy, growth, and atrophy, and pathology of the prostate gland; symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment of the disease.

This interesting paper was discussed by F. A. Goeltz, G. N. Curtis, L. N. Ossman, and E. M. Neher.

The next paper was by R. O. Porter on the "Therapeutics and Medico-Legal Aspect of Alcohol." He discussed the pharmacology and toxicology of the drug, its absorption and elimination. He demonstrated an instrument which he had devised for determining the amount of alcohol in the expired air. Discussion followed by Harold Van Colt, E. M. Neher, G. H. Pace, F. A. Goeltz, F. H. Ruley, William F. Beer, Doctor Clayburg, and George W. Middleton.

J. Z. Brown read an instructive paper on the "Doctor and Social Service," in which he brought out many points of timely interest to the profession. His paper was discussed by H. S. Scott, G. W. Middleton, J. P. Kerby, M. M. Critchlow, C. M. Benedict, William F. Beer, and W. T. Ward, who moved that the chair appoint a committee of three to study the methods of the next county and city physician and attempt to aid him in the appointment of assistants. Discussion by William F. Beer followed.

Application for membership, signed by Doctors Sexton and Woodbury, were read by the secretary.

Adjournment at 10:50 p. m.

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The annual meeting of the Salt Lake County Medical Society was held in the Medical Arts Building, Salt Lake City, on Monday, December 10. The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p. m. by President William F. Beer. Fifty-three members and one visitor were present.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read and accepted without correction.

Marshall C. Sexton was elected to membership.

A letter from the Hourly Nursing Service was read. This was discussed by W. R. Calderwood and John

Z. Brown, who moved that the letter be acknowledged and filed. Seconded and carried.

Committee reports followed. The secretary read the committee's report of the smoke nuisance. W. R. Calderwood moved that it be sent to the Chamber of Commerce. Seconded and carried.

President Beer gave a short farewell address.

Reports by the Secretary, M. M. Critchlow, and the treasurer, J. E. Jack, followed. The Community Clinic committee's report was read by W. L. Rich.

The report of the Committee on Public Health and Legislation was read by M. M. Nielson. This was discussed by W. R. Calderwood, who moved that the chair appoint a committee to draft a resolution in support of legislation for a school for the feeble-minded. Seconded and carried.

Reports of the Medico-Legal Committee read by J. P. Kerby, the Necrology Committee read by the secretary, in the absence of J. U. Giesy, the Library Committee read by W. R. Tyndale, were then presented.

Verbal reports of the Boy Scouts Committee by L. J. Paul and of the Public Lectures Committee by Ralph Pendleton followed.

A report of the Fee Schedule Committee was given by J. P. Kerby. W. R. Calderwood moved that the committee be continued and report later. This was seconded, but not put to a vote, as the chair reappointed the same committee, over W. R. Calderwood's objection.

The report of the Community Clinic Executive Committee was given by C. M. Benedict, who requested two weeks' more time. The same committee was reappointed by the chair.

The following officers were unanimously elected for 1929: C. M. Benedict, president; M. M. Nielson, vice-president; B. E. Bonar, secretary; Clark Young, treasurer; W. F. Beer, censor.

F. J. Curtis reported for the Delinquent Boy Committee.

O. J. LaBarge moved that the outgoing officers be extended a vote of thanks. Seconded and carried.

Adjournment at 9:40 p. m., after which an informal smoker was held.

M. M. CRITCHLOW, *Secretary*.

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WEBER COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Weber County Medical Society was held November 24 at the Hotel Bigelow, President W. R. Brown presiding. The usual dinner preceded the meeting, especially good, as Dr. V. L. Ward furnished a venison steak for each. Forty-one members were present.

The first order of business for the evening was election of officers for the year 1929. The following were elected: A. H. Aland, president, nominated by Ezra I. Rich; E. P. Mills, vice-president, nominated by E. R. Dumke; George M. Fister, secretary, nominated by H. C. Stranquist; and S. W. Badcon, treasurer, nominated by E. P. Mills.

Delegates to state medical society: W. H. Budge, A. A. Robinson, A. H. Aland, R. L. Draper, and G. A. Dickson.

Alternates to state medical society: W. H. Whalen, M. J. Seidner, Frank K. Bartlett, L. S. Merrill, and E. R. Dumke.

The program for the meeting was a report by Dr. Ezra I. Rich and Dr. E. R. Dumke on the recent meetings of the American College of Surgery and Interstate Postgraduate Assembly.

President W. R. Brown appointed Doctors V. L. Ward, J. D. Harding, and W. J. Wright to audit the treasurer's accounts for 1928. Doctors A. H. Aland, Junior Rich, and N. H. Savage were appointed to arrange the program for the annual meeting and installation of officers in December.

Dr. W. R. Brown moved that the members of the society send a message of sympathy to Mrs. S. L. Brick at the death of her husband, Dr. S. L. Brick, November 13. Dr. Brick had practiced in Ogden for forty-two years.

GEORGE M. FISTER, *Secretary*.

UTAH NEWS

The Holy Cross Hospital Clinical Association held its regular meeting at the hospital the evening of November 18.

The following program was presented:

Ruptured Gastric Ulcer—Dr. Claude Shields.

Fracture of the Knee—Dr. T. W. Stevenson.

Empyema—Doctors Hummer and Johnson.

Gall stones in a Man of Seventy-eight—Dr. William Ward.

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The Central Utah Medical Society is welcomed into the sisterhood of the Utah Medical Association.

This latest member of the state family was organized the evening of November 10, with the councilors of the state association officiating at its birth. Eight charter members comprise the present personnel, with Dr. T. R. Gledhill as president and Dr. Asa Dewey as secretary and treasurer. Meetings are the first Monday of each month. After organization short talks were given by the members of the state association and the new society. We wish at this time to invite Doctor Dewey, as secretary, to send in reports of meetings to the office of the editor for Utah, 701 Medical Arts Building, Salt Lake City, not later than the tenth of each month.

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The Salt Lake Academy continue their weekly Thursday meetings in the rooms of the Intermountain Clinic, Deseret Bank Building, Salt Lake City. These programs are in the nature of reviews and discussions of pertinent medical and surgical problems. Programs are furnished in rotation by the membership.

The last program covered: a discussion of the value of spinal anesthesia in the treatment of peritonitic ileus; a consideration of the relation between apical abscess of teeth and the general symptomatology; and a résumé of the literature on renal glycosuria.

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Instruction for Medical Reserve Officers.—Classes of instruction, under the direction of a competent officer, are now being held twice monthly for all Medical Reserve Officers in the headquarters of the Third Reserve Area, 104th Division O. R., Vermont Building, Salt Lake City. These classes are designed to prove of great benefit to medical officers of the Reserve, and those not now availing themselves of the privilege are urged to arrange to attend during the remainder of the winter and spring course.

University of California Alumnus Gives Twenty-five Thousand Dollars to Science.—As the result of a gift of \$25,000 a year for the next five years from an alumnus, Dudley Cates of the class of 1911, the University of California will this year open an intensive study of neurological survey with special reference to the treatment of brain tumors, according to announcement by the regents.

Cates is a resident of Winnetka, Illinois, and holds the position of vice-president of Marsh & McLennan Insurance Company. The research work will be carried on under the direction of Dr. H. C. Naffziger, clinical professor of surgery at the University Medical School in San Francisco.

Doctor Naffziger states that the donor, although most anxious to see improvement of technique in the removal of brain tumors, which are at present often fatal, puts no limitation upon the surgical research which may be done under his sponsorship in the field of neurology, or the nervous system.—*U. C. Clip Sheet*.